GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY
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Development of Bio-fuels
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Will the Minister of NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has planned to reduce import of crude oil through development of bio-fuels by the year 2030; and
(b) if so, the details thereof along with the action plan of the Government for the said purpose?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE (IC) FOR POWER, COAL, NEW & RENEWABLE ENERGY AND MINES (SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

(a) & (b): The plan for reduction of import of crude oil includes the following measures :
i. Increasing domestic production of oil and gas;
ii. Promoting energy efficiency and conservation measures;
iii. Giving thrust to demand substitution;
iv. Capitalising untapped potential in Biofuels and other alternate fuels / renewable fuels; and
v. Implementing measures for refinery process improvements.
In addition, Government has indicative targets of blending biofuels in petrol and diesel up to 20 per cent.
Government has also taken up promotional measures for improving achievement of blending of ethanol by announcing minimum purchase price of ethanol and has reduced the taxes.
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